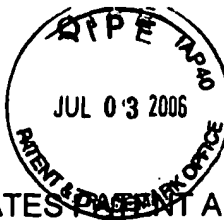


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In response to the Final Office Action of May 4, 2006, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on August 4, 2006, with the present Reply being filed by the two-month due date of July 5, 2006 (July 4, 2006 being a federal holiday). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Office Action in view of the herein-contained remarks.

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